Profit/loss to SEBs

1472. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the annual profit/loss of SEBs during the last year (1998-99), State-wise;

(b) what is the status of restructuring exercise taken by SEBs;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to improve the efficiency of the SEBs; and

(d) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) A statement- I indicating the profit and loss during the year 1998-99 is enclosed (*See* below)

(b) to (d) A statement - II indicating the status of restructuring exercise undertaken by SEBs is enclosed.

Statement-I

Statement of Surplus/Deficit of SEBs

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Name of SEBs		1998-99 (with subsidy)	1998-99 (Without subsidy)
1.	APSEB	(A)	112.83	−1961.82
2.	ASEB		**	**
3.	BSEB		**	**
4.	GEB	(U)	126.45	−1966.43
5.	HSEB		**	**
6.	HPSEB	(U)	−6.27	−6.27
7.	KEB	(U)	66.99	−847.8
8.	KSEB	(U)	38.75	−262.96

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Name of SEBs		1998-99 (with subsidy)	1998-99 (Without subsidy)
9.	MPEB	(U)	116.93	−1580.22
10.	MSEB	(A)	376.15	21.01
11.	MESEB	(U)	−23.29	−32.79
12.	PSFB	(U)	50.9	−876.97
13.	RSEB		**	**
14.	TNEB	(U)	334.94	−741.28
15.	UPSEB	(U)	410.64	−1746.91
16.	WBSEB	(U)	−717.79	−904.15
	ALL INDIA :		—	—

A - Audited
U - Unaudited
** Account for 1998-99 Not Received.
Source : CEA.

Statement II

Present Status of Reforms in States

The objective of power sector reforms is to bring in commercial viability in the power supply industry so as to ensure power supply on demand to all consumers at reasonable prices.

In order to achieve this objective, full energy audit, corporatisation and unbundling of SEB's may be necessary. To the extent effective control on power theft does not appear feasible in the public sector, privatisation of distribution may have to be undertaken. Effective functioning of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions is also an essential component of reforms with a view to balanacing the interests of the consumer and the need for commercial viability of the utilities.

The status of reforms and restructuring is as under :—

1 SFRC

Fourteen States (Orissa, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Delhi, Gujarat, Madhya Pradsh, Arunachal Pradesh, Maharashtra and Rajasthan) have either constituted or notified the constitution of SFRC.

A Bill to amend the Electricity Regulatory Commission Act, 1998 has been introduced in Lok Sabha on 23.12.1999 to enable two or more States/UTs to form a joint Electricity Regulatory Commission.

2. *CORPORATISATION OF SEBs :*

The SEB's of Orissa, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh have been unbundled/corporatised.

3. *DISTRIBUTION REFORMS*

Orissa has privatised distribution through four joint venture distribution companies where 51% share holding and management control have been handed over to private firms.

The Government of UP plans to privatise distribution in Kanpur and has invited price bids for 74% of the share holding of the distribution company created for Kanpur.

The Government of Delhi has commissioned studies to look into the aspect of corporatisation and undertaking distribution through joint venture companies. Many States are taking action for creating distribution profit centres.

Private sector participation in power sector

1473. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the measures taken in the recent past by Government to encourage private sector participation in power sector;

(b) whether Government have any plans to provide guarantees to all those who propose to invest in power sector in the near future;